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EVENT NOTIFICATION WITHIN A LOCAL SYSTEM

## VENT NOTIFICATION WITHIN A LOCAL SYSTEM. AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111 \*\*RECEIVED\*\* OCT 1 9 2001 \*\*Rechnology Center 2700

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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on June 4, 2001. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from September 4, 2001 to October 4, 2001.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect the amendment of previously pending claims 1, 7, 8 and 13. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

## 1. (Twice Amended) An event notification system, comprising:

a computer having a CPU and memory and which executes an operating system operative to manage computer programs and wherein said computer programs generate events, the computer further having a bus coupled to the CPU;

a notification controller connected to the [computer] bus and operative to detect the generated events;

a notification transceiver communicatively connected to the notification controller and capable of transmitting a message containing data on the event; and